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Harry R. Maier, *President* 

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Mr. Tom Turner Associate Regional Counsel U.S. EPA – Region V Office of Regional Counsel 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604

Re: RRG Clayton Chemical Site – General Notice of Potential Liability Letter

Dear Mr. Turner:

In response to a letter Memorial received from Linda Nachowicz, Chief, Emergency Response Branch, dated September 27, 2005, Memorial is unable to determine whether it will participate in the cleanup of the RRG Clayton Chemical Site because Memorial cannot verify that it was a responsible party. Our records do not support the assertion that Memorial contributed 10,000 to 25,000 gallons to the site.

Memorial has requested copies of the information from Janet Pfundheller upon which EPA basis its assertion. Once that information is received and reviewed, Memorial will make its determination regarding participation. Memorial specifically reserves all rights and remedies it may have under applicable laws and in no way waives any of its rights, defenses or other remedies at this time.

Please feel free to contact me or our President, Harry Maier, should you have any questions.

Very sincerely yours,

Margaret J. Lowery

General Counsel

Cc: Harry Maier, President